PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 1099

SENATE BILL NO. 2893

By Haynes

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2873

By Moore

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, relative to training and compensation of election officials.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-4-108, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

2-4-108.

- (a) The coordinator of elections shall create minimum standards for educating election officials throughout the state for use by the county election commissions. Such standards shall include instructing election officials as to their duties during an election and educating the officials about the election laws of this state.
- (b) Within thirty (30) days before each election there shall be held in each county, under the direction of the county election commission, at least one (1) instructional meeting for the purpose of training election officials as to their duties during an election. Such meeting shall at a minimum meet the standards created pursuant to subsection (a).
- (c) The officials for each polling place shall attend such meeting and shall receive, for the time spent in receiving such instructions and qualifying to serve at an election by taking the oath, the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) which is to be paid only if they serve in the election. The compensation may be increased by resolution of the county legislative body.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, the county election commission may limit attendance at instructional meetings to only those persons who are inexperienced or otherwise need such training.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 15, 2008

RON RAMSEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMM NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 5th day of June 2008

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR